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106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 2298

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify the definition of homebound with respect to home health services under the medicare program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 27, 2000

Mr. Jeffords (for himself, Mr. Reed, and Mr. Leahy) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

A BILL

- To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify the definition of homebound with respect to home health services under the medicare program.
 - 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
 - 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
 - 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
 - 4 This Act may be cited as the "Homebound Clarifica-
 - 5 tion Act of 2000".

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1	SEC.	2.	CLARIFICATION	OF	THE	DEFINITION	OF	HOME-

2 BOUND.

- 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Sections 1814(a) and 1835(a) of
- 4 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395f(a); 1395n(a))
- 5 are each amended in the last sentence—
- 6 (1) by striking "leave home," and inserting
- 7 "leave home and"; and
- 8 (2) by striking ", and that absences" and all
- 9 that follows before the period.
- 10 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
- 11 subsection (a) shall apply to items and services provided
- 12 on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

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